

Reply of Government.—The question has since been finally disposed of. (*Vide* Government Order No. R. 3335-6—Mis. 504-04-2, dated 11th September 1905. Such individual cases cannot affect the general rules.)

SUBJECT No. 272.

Contract of tank works to be given to the big wet land-holders.

Messrs. Srinivasa Rao and Rama Rao of Malur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that the contract work of the major and minor tanks may be given out to the big wet land-holders possessing lands thereunder.

Reply of Government.—The existing orders meet all wants.

SUBJECT No. 273.

Contracts of Public Works to be given to local men.

Mr. Sreekantaiya, Maddagiri Taluk.

Summary of discussion. - In Subject No. 363 of Dasara Representative Assembly Proceedings of 1893, Government have ordered that contracts of Public Works should be given to local men. But no attention is paid to this order and the foreigners are chosen as contractors who execute these works as early as they can with no regard for their stability. It is prayed that strict adherence of Standing Orders may be enjoined.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Subject No. 272.

SUBJECT No. 274.

Annual repairs to nalas.

Messrs. Ambale Annaiya Pandit, Member of the District Board, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—The annual repairs to nalas should be entrusted to the raiyats possessing lands under them. If they refuse to take up contracts, it is requested that orders may be issued to take measurements in the presence of two or three important land-holders to show that earth-work has been executed by the Nala Department to the satisfaction of the raiyats.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* reply to Subject No. 272.

SUBJECT No. 275.

Construction of Madavois or sluices.

Messrs. Tirumurana Iyengar, Padmarajaiya and Krishnappa, Channarayapatna Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The want of some system regulating the size, etc., of sluices has been the source of much trouble and quarrels among the raiyats. The size of sluices may therefore be determined in proportion to the quantity of water required for lands thereunder. The sluices may be constructed of brick and mortar by the Public Works Department, the annual repairs also being undertaken by that Department at the cost of the raiyats concerned. Persons damaging such sluices may be rendered liable to punishment under the channel rules.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter well worth consideration. Will be referred to the Public Works Department.

SUBJECT No. 276.

Bridging the Cauvery between Konanur and Frazerpet.

Mr. Lakshminarasimhachar, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—There is a bridge near Yedatore across the Cauvery river. Many people who have to travel from Hassan to Mercara have to undergo difficulties, there being no bridge over the Cauvery between Konanur and Frazerpet, which may be ordered to be constructed. If it is expedient or necessary, consent of the Coorg Government may be obtained to pay half the cost, as the Coorg subjects are also equally benefited by the construction of the bridge.